



MEMORANDUM
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
County of Placer

TO: Board of Supervisors

DATE: April 21, 2020

FROM: Leah Rosasco, Senior Administrative Aide

SUBJECT: Proclamation | Mosquito and Vector Control Awareness Week

ACTION REQUESTED

Approve a Proclamation declaring April 19 through April 25, 2020 as “Mosquito and Vector Control Awareness Week”.

BACKGROUND

The Placer Mosquito and Vector Control District works to effectively and efficiently manage the risks from vectors and vector-borne disease in order to protect public health and quality of life in Placer County. Mosquito Awareness Week is an effort across the state to raise awareness about mosquitoes and the diseases they transmit and how the public can do their part to reduce impacts from vectors by dumping and draining standing water, defending themselves against mosquito bites and calling their District for more information or with any mosquito concerns.

FISCAL IMPACT

None

Attachment:
Proclamation

**IN THE MATTER OF A PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING APRIL 19TH TO APRIL 25TH
AS MOSQUITO AND VECTOR CONTROL AWARENESS WEEK IN PLACER
COUNTY**

WHEREAS, the Mosquito and Vector Control Association of California has designated the week of April 19 to April 25, 2020 as Mosquito and Vector Control Awareness Week; and

WHEREAS, West Nile virus is a mosquito-borne disease that can result in debilitating cases of meningitis, encephalitis and death to humans, horses, avian species and other wildlife; and

WHEREAS, in 2019, West Nile virus resulted in 6 human deaths in California, and 214 individual human cases in 25 counties and in Placer County resulted in 53 West Nile virus-positive mosquito samples, 3 West Nile virus-positive dead birds, 8 sentinel chickens positive for West Nile virus exposure, 1 human case, and 0 deaths in Placer County; and

WHEREAS, adequately funded mosquito and vector control, disease surveillance, and public awareness programs, coupled with best management practices emphasizing nonchemical approaches, are the best ways to prevent outbreaks of West Nile virus and other diseases borne by mosquitoes and other vectors; and

WHEREAS, the Placer Mosquito and Vector Control District works closely with local public and environmental health officials, the United States Environmental Protection Agency and the State Department of Public Health to reduce pesticide risks to humans, animals, and the environment while protecting human health from mosquito vectors; and

WHEREAS, Mosquito and Vector Control Awareness Week will increase the public's awareness of the threat of diseases and encourage the public to take action to prevent mosquito and vector-transmitted diseases, and highlight the activities of various mosquito and vector agencies working to reduce the health threat within California; and

WHEREAS, The Mosquito and Vector Control Association of California has designated the week of April 19 to April 25, 2020 as Mosquito and Vector Control Awareness Week in the State of California.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the above PROCLAMATION was duly passed by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Placer, on behalf of the citizens of Placer County, at a regular meeting held April 21, 2020, and does hereby proclaim April 19 to April 25, 2020 as Mosquito and Vector Control Awareness Week in Placer County.

Bonnie Gore, Supervisor, District 1
Chair 2020